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**KMOX CBS Radio - County Executive Sends EPA a Letter for Landfill Plans - 8/31/15 - St. Louis**  
County Executive Steve Stenger sent a letter to the EPA about the nuclear threat at the burning Bridgeton Landfill. He says "show us your plan." Stenger's letter asks questions he thinks the EPA should have answered long ago. <http://stlouis.cbslocal.com/2015/08/31/county-executive-sends-epa-a-letter-for-landfill-plans/>

**St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Owner says Bridgeton Landfill fire not moving toward radioactive West Lake landfill - 9/2/15 -** he chemical reaction isn't moving north toward radioactive waste, as some fear, and it's not growing harder to contain, Brian Power, Republic Services environmental manager, insists. [http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/owner-says-bridgeton-landfill-fire-not-moving-toward-radioactive-west/article\\_aed47e9c-1c82-590b-ad54-a735d6888171.html](http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/owner-says-bridgeton-landfill-fire-not-moving-toward-radioactive-west/article_aed47e9c-1c82-590b-ad54-a735d6888171.html)

**Waste Dive - Missouri officials urge Obama administration to clean up contaminated landfill - 8/13/15 -** Area officials are calling on the Obama administration to act quickly to clean up the radioactively contaminated West Lake Landfill in Bridgeton, MO, for fear it will catch fire from a smoldering underground fire at the adjacent Bridgeton Landfill. A White House spokesman told The Hill it is aware of the pleas, but would not say if anything will happen. <http://www.wastedive.com/news/missouri-officials-urge-obama-administration-to-clean-up-contaminated-landf/404802/>

**KWMU St. Louis Public Radio - Sierra Club: Ameren's Labadie power plant permit violates water quality laws - 9/2/15 -** The Sierra Club says Ameren's Labadie power plant in Franklin County does not meet state and federal water quality standards and wants it brought into compliance. <http://news.stlpublicradio.org/post/sierra-club-ameren-s-labadie-power-plant-permit-violates-water-quality-laws>

**Quad-City Times - GPC: Making progress - 9/1/15 -** The southeast edge of GPC's plant is mostly vacant, the ground blackened, as the company decides what to do with that space. And that's a point of pride. That blackened area used to be occupied with coal. [http://qctimes.com/news/local/gpc-making-progress/article\\_676fdb6c-19f7-52e5-af51-bde1f108e275.html](http://qctimes.com/news/local/gpc-making-progress/article_676fdb6c-19f7-52e5-af51-bde1f108e275.html)

**Newton (Iowa) Daily News - Farmers commit 3.5M to water quality practices - 9/1/15 -** Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey announced Friday that \$3.5 million in cost share funds to help farmers install nutrient reduction practices have been obligated to farmers in each of Iowa's 99 counties. The practices that were eligible for this funding are cover crops, no-till or strip till, or using a nitrification inhibitor when applying fall fertilizer. <http://www.newtondailynews.com/2015/08/31/farmers-commit-3-5m-to-water-quality-practices/ahwpeil/>

**Sioux City (Iowa) Journal - Woodbury County moves ahead on energy-efficient lighting switch -** 9/2/15 - A number of Woodbury County government buildings could be running more efficiently - and saving taxpayers money - by early next year. [http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/woodbury-county-moves-ahead-on-energy-efficient-lighting-switch/article\\_25311ceb-3e42-526c-87ff-ddd727646d2c.html](http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/woodbury-county-moves-ahead-on-energy-efficient-lighting-switch/article_25311ceb-3e42-526c-87ff-ddd727646d2c.html)

**Climate Central - Better Health a Key Benefit of Renewables, Study Says -** 9/1/15 - Building wind and solar farms helps to reduce the human impact on climate change by displacing noxious emissions from coal-fired power plants. A new study says there's another important benefit to renewables development: cost savings from cleaner air that saves lives. <http://www.climatecentral.org/news/renewables-benefit-climate-public-health-19397>

**Bloomberg - Opinion: Let Coal Die a Natural Death –** 9/1/15 - Coal-fired electricity is becoming ever less profitable. That's the good news -- or it should be, since it gives power companies greater incentive to embrace cleaner and cheaper sources of energy. <http://www.bloombergview.com/articles/2015-09-01/let-coal-die-a-natural-death>

**GovTech - Energy Efficiency Key to Helping States Address EPA's New Clean Power Plan -** 8/31/15 - The National Association of State Energy Officials has released a working paper that recommends building energy codes and performance contracting as ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 32 percent. <http://www.govtech.com/fs/NASEO-Energy-Efficiency-Key-to-Helping-States-Address-EPA's-New-Clean-Power-Plan.html>

**Dodge City (Kan.) Daily Globe - KDHE testing water supply -** 9/2/15 - As a precaution, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment has begun testing several water wells in Dodge City to try and locate possible contaminants. <http://www.dodgeglobe.com/article/20150902/NEWS/150909910>

**Osawatomie (Kan.) Graphic - City discusses issues with accepting hauled wastewater at lagoon -** 9/2/15 - Public Works Superintendent Jim Johnson told La Cygne City Council members Aug. 19 that more restrictions may be needed on trucks dumping waste into the city lagoon. [http://www.graphic-online.com/news/linn\\_county/article\\_f3e0f014-fcf1-543b-b8cb-3c24da57306e.html](http://www.graphic-online.com/news/linn_county/article_f3e0f014-fcf1-543b-b8cb-3c24da57306e.html)

**KMIZ Ch. 17 Columbia, Mo. - DNR, state geologist investigating water leak in Miller Co. -** 9/1/15 - ABC 17 News has learned Tuesday the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the state geologist are investigating the source of a water leak in Iberia. <http://www.abc17news.com/news/dnr-state-geologist-investigating-water-leak-in-miller-co/35045968>

## Ozone

**Lincoln (Neb.) Journal-Star - Fischer holds hearing on EPA ozone proposal - 9/1/15 - U.S. Sen. Deb Fischer** invited manufacturing and public power representatives, a public health expert and the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce to weigh in on the potential impact of the Environmental Protection Agency's proposal to lower ozone levels. [http://journalstar.com/news/state-and-regional/federal-politics/fischer-holds-hearing-on-epa-ozone-proposal/article\\_e69a500f-f72a-5826-ade7-db5aa3621a67.html](http://journalstar.com/news/state-and-regional/federal-politics/fischer-holds-hearing-on-epa-ozone-proposal/article_e69a500f-f72a-5826-ade7-db5aa3621a67.html)

**Omaha (Neb.) World-Herald - Critics of EPA's plan to reduce ground-level ozone cite economic, actual costs - 9/2/15 - Omaha's electric utility** joined Nebraska business leaders to warn of dire economic consequences from a proposed federal rule to cut ozone pollution Tuesday during a Senate field hearing. [http://www.omaha.com/news/nebraska/critics-of-epa-s-plan-to-reduce-ground-level-ozone/article\\_46b65c54-4896-5df9-b6b4-6e5c74f3e3f5.html](http://www.omaha.com/news/nebraska/critics-of-epa-s-plan-to-reduce-ground-level-ozone/article_46b65c54-4896-5df9-b6b4-6e5c74f3e3f5.html)

**Columbus (Neb.) Telegram - Health, business representatives offer differing views on EPA's ozone plan - 9/1/15 - U.S. Sen. Deb Fischer** invited manufacturing and public power representatives, a public health expert and the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce to weigh in on the potential impact of the EPA's proposal to lower ozone levels. [http://columbustelegram.com/news/local/health-business-representatives-offer-differing-views-on-epa-s-ozone/article\\_6fe25fdb-c0a4-5735-a42b-8a19ea910d7a.html](http://columbustelegram.com/news/local/health-business-representatives-offer-differing-views-on-epa-s-ozone/article_6fe25fdb-c0a4-5735-a42b-8a19ea910d7a.html)

**Sandhills Express (Custer County, Neb.) – CCPD Issues Call to Action Against Clean Power Plan – 9/1/15 - Custer Public Power District** is strongly encouraging citizens to take action and speak in support of a stay against the Clean Power Plan until all lawsuits make it through the Supreme Court. <http://www.sandhillsexpress.com/BuySell/BuySellDetails/tabid/108/ArticleId/15021/CPD-Issues-Call-to-Action-Against-Clean-Power-Plan.aspx>

**The Hill - White House reviews EPA's ozone pollution rule - 8/31/15 - The Obama administration** has started the final review process for its regulation to reduce the allowable concentration of ozone pollution in the air. <http://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/252301-white-house-reviews-epas-ozone-pollution-rule>

**Auto Channel - Classification revisions introduced this week revise 2008 Ozone Nonattainment Designations for 36 Areas of the United States. - 8/31/15 - NACSONline** reported that yesterday, EPA proposed a number of classification revisions to areas of the country currently classified as "marginal" nonattainment areas for the 2008 ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). While this proposal will not have an immediate effect on fuel retailers, the EPA's actions could eventually lead to the increased use of specialized fuel blends in these areas. <http://www.theautochannel.com/news/2015/08/31/140312-new-epa-proposals-could-lead-to-more-specialized-fuel-blends.html>

**Energy Global - API voices concerns over EPA's proposal to tighten ozone standards – 9/2/15 -** API is concerned that the Obama administration is rushing potentially the most expensive regulation in history through a shortened review process, according to Howard Feldman, API Senior Director of Regulatory and Scientific Affairs. <http://www.energyglobal.com/downstream/refining/01092015/API-voices-concerns-over-EPAs-proposal-to-tighten-ozone-standards-1325/>

**Wall Street Journal - Opinion: The EPA's Next Big Economic Chokehold - 9/1/15E -** EPA is likely to introduce stringent new standards this fall for ground-level ozone, arguing that a lower allowable level of ozone—an important component of smog—will reduce asthma in the U.S., among other claimed health benefits. <http://www.wsj.com/articles/the-epas-next-big-economic-chokehold-1441149571>